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PART II.

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Food Situation for the week ending 24th January 1920.

Brief abstract of the special reports regarding the Food Situation for the week ending 24th January 1920.

Bangalore City.—During the week under report, 123 carts of ragi and 85 carts of paddy came into the bazaar as against 161 carts of ragi and 106 carts of paddy in the previous week.

The price of ragi ranged from Rs. 85 to Rs. 104 per cart during the week against Rs. 80 to Rs. 104 per cart in the previous week.

There is sufficient stock of rice and ragi in the bazaar but the prices are high.

The Municipal Depot is selling to the poor Burma rice, Delta rice and broken rice at 5 seers 4½ seers and 6½ seers a rupee respectively.

Mysore City.—The price of paddy ranged from Rs. 18 to 23-8-0 per candy according to quality. Local rice is selling at 4½ to 5 seers per rupee.

Bangalore District.—There was no rain during the week.

Harvesting of paddy and horse gram and threshing of ragi are going on.

The price of ragi ranged from 6 to 8 seers generally. At Vadigenahalli the price went so low as 5½ seers a rupee owing to insufficiency of supply to the market. There is a general complaint that ragi does not come out freely to the market. Both the producers and merchants seem to be still feeling their way. Steps are being taken to collect statistics of persons in the district with large stock on hand.

The price of local rice ranged between 3¼ to 3½ seers, while Burma rice sold at 4 to 4½ seers a rupee.

Mysore District.—There is nothing to add to the previous week's report, except that the price of horse gram is fluctuating. The market is still unsettled.

Tumkur District.—There is no material change in the situation. Price of ragi ranges from Rs. 95 to 100 a cart load, while that of paddy is between Rs. 65 to Rs. 75. Raiyats are busy in threshing and supply to markets is not abundant. Burma rice is being sold at depots in Tumkur, Gubbi, Tiptur and Turuvekere. Amildars of Pavagada and Maddagiri have applied for a supply of rice to them and necessary action is being taken to supply them with rice.

Kolar District.—As the prices are ruling high, some anxiety is felt. The demand for Burma rice is increasing. Indents for fresh supplies of Burma rice are being received from the taluks.

Hassan District.—The *santes* were fairly well supplied with food grains. The Amildar of Arsikere reports that Bangalore merchants, etc., have been exporting rice from Arsikere sante, and rice and paddy from Javagal sante in appreciable quantities.

Standing crops such as avare, togari, sugar-cane and Bengal gram are in a good condition. Avare, togari and horse gram suffered in Hassan, Hole-Narsipur and Belur Taluks. Vaisakhi paddy is being transplanted in the Arsikere Taluk. Paddy and ragi are being harvested.

Prices still continue to be high.

The prospects of the season are generally good.

Press Communique containing policy of Government has been widely published. It is stated that this had some effect on the market in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk.

Shimoga District.—There is a general improvement in the food situation in the district, ever since the Press Communique regarding the intention of Government to continue the food control operations was given wide publicity. The Amildar of Honnali, however, reports that there is not much improvement in his taluk. Markets are generally well supplied and rice of the third short is selling at 6 seers at Shimoga.

Kadur District.—Paddy is still being harvested in the Chikmagalur Taluk and in the Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk. Threshing operations are reported to be in progress in the Chikmagalur Taluk. The supply of food grains was sufficient in all the markets and shandies. The prices continue to be steady in all the taluks, except Tarikere, where there has been a slight fall in respect of rice and ragi during the week under report.

No perceptible change is seen in the situation at present.

Chitaldrug District.—Owing to the placing of greater vigilence over suspicious wholesale purchases at the shandies, the prices of food grains have fallen to a slight extent. Arrangements are being made to import Burma rice.

General (By Food Controller).—There has been no rain during the week in any part of the State. The markets are reported to be generally fairly well supplied. The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, reports that the price of horse gram is fluctuating, and that the market is unsettled. The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan, writes that Bangalore merchants have been exporting rice from Arsikere and Javagal santes. This is presumably to Bangalore. The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, reports that the resumption of control has had a salutary effect, and that markets in his district except at Honnali are well supplied, and rice of the 3rd sort can be had at 6 seers per rupee at Shimoga.

Harvesting operations are in various stages of progress in the several districts. The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, says that there is a general complaint that ragi does not come freely to the market, which he attributes to both the producers and merchants still not being quite sure of the position. He adds that he is taking steps to collect statistics of persons in the district with large stocks on hand. The price of local rice is reported to have ranged between 3¼ to 3½ seers while Burma rice sold at 4 to 4½ seers a rupee. The price of ragi is reported to have ranged from to 6 to 8 seers generally except at Vadigenhalli, where it went so low as 5½ seers owing to insufficient supplies to the markets.

The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug, observes that as a result of greater vigilence over suspicious wholesale purchases at the shandies, the price of food grains have fallen to a slight extent.

The Deputy Commissioner, Kadur, reports that prices continued to be steady in all the taluks, except Tarikere, where there has been a slight fall in respect of rice and ragi during the week.

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Re-constitution of the Central and District Committees under Malnad Improvement Scheme.

READ—

Government Order No. G. 13757-67—San. 8-19-5, dated the 12th December 1919, sanctioning the reconstitution of the Central and District Committees under the Malnad Improvement Scheme.

No. G. 17224-42—*San.* 8-19-12, *dated 26th January* 1920.

Government are pleased to appoint the Secretary, Economic Development Board, as a Member of the Malnad Improvement Central Committee. The Registrar of Co-operative Societies will be a co-operated member whenever necessary.

C. S. BALASUNDARAM IYER,
Chief Secretary to Government.

To—The Deputy Commissioners and Chairmen, Malnad Improvement District Committee, Shimoga, Kadur and Hassan Districts.
The Senior Surgeon in Mysore.
The Sanitary Commissioner in Mysore.
The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.
The Chief Engineer in Mysore.
The Director of Agriculture in Mysore.
The Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Comptroller to Government.
The Secretary, Economic Development Board.
The Registrar, Co-operative Societies in Mysore.
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